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SUBJECT: PAF REQUEST FOR 500 POUND BOMBS

REF: ODRP MEMO AF-1638-74 OF 15 AUGUST 74

1. DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO ASSIST IN CONSIDERATION OF REFERENCED REQUEST FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF FMS CASE. LICENSE FOR 200 IDENTICAL BOMBS UNDER FMS CASE PK-ABB RECENTLY ISSUED. DURING CONSIDERATION THIS CASE, PAF STATED THAT BOMBS WOULD BE REPLACEMENTS FOR SIMILAR US-SUPPLIED BOMBS IN PAF INVENTORY THAT HAD DETERIORATED BECAUSE OF AGE. IS CURRENT REQUEST ALSO FOR PURPOSES OF REPLACEMENT OF EXISTING INVENTORY?

2. IF MISSION HAS REASON TO DOUBT THAT THIS ORDER IS TO PROVIDE REPLACEMENT STOCK, WOULD APPRECIATE JUSTIFICATION FOR YOUR POSITIVE RECOMMENDATION. OBVIOUSLY POLICY GUIDE-
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LINES PERMIT APPROVAL OF SUCH A REQUEST, BUT PROVISION FOR

CASE-BY-CASE REVIEW ALSO SUGGESTS NEED FOR CAREFUL CONSIDERATION OF MERITS OF EACH CASE.

3. DEPARTMENT HAS APPROVED OR HAS UNDER CONSIDERATION A NUMBER OF FMS CASES INVOLVING SIZEABLE AMOUNTS OF AMMUNITION. MC RECENTLY GRANTED AN EXPORT LICENSE TO THE

PAKISTANI EMBASSY FOR A USAF FMS CASE FOR BOMBS AND FUSING COMPONENTS WITH A CASE VALUE OF DOLS 124,345. EXPORT LICENSE APPLICATIONS FOR APPROVED FMS CASES ARE PENDING AS FOLLOWS:

A. US ARMY CASE FOR 50,000 FUSES WITH BOOSTERS FOR A CASE VALUE OF DOLS 381,500 (NOMENCLATURE 1,390-N335 FUSE, PD, M557, W/BOOSTER M125A1).

B. US ARMY CASE WITH A VALUE OF DOLS 1,931,568 INVOLVING INTER ALIA, 4,000 105 MM ILLUMINATING CARTRIDGES WITH FLARES, 13,600 M728 PROXIMITY FUSES; 4,000 155 MM PROJECTILES, ILLUMINATING; 4,000 PROPELLING CHARGES AND 4,000 FUSES.

C. PAKISTAN EMBASSY EXPORT APPLICATION FOR 27,000 CARTRIDGES, 106 MM HEAT RIFLE (M344A1) WITH A VALUE OF DOLS 2,781,000.

4. WE DO NOT WISH TO INTRODUCE ANY MORE COMPLEXITY INTO THIS ALREADY TROUBLESOME FIELD. SIZEABLE AMMUNITION ORDERS, HOWEVER, PROBABLY DESERVE SOME CRITICAL ATTENTION, IF ONLY BECAUSE EVERY CASE WHICH REQUIRES AN MC LICENSE MUST BE REPORTED TO CONGRESS AND DEPARTMENT SHOULD BE IN POSITION TO RESPOND INTELLIGENTLY TO POSSIBLE INQUIRIES. WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR COMMENTS AND EARLY RESPONSE. INGERSOLL

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